



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Byzantine Catholic Church

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Very Rev. John G. Basarab - Pastor

**Christ is Risen!
Indeed He is Risen!**

**Christos Voskrese!
Voistinnu Voskrese!**

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

THOMAS SUNDAY

Apr. 23 Sun. 8:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
10:30 AM +Mary and +George Adams by Monica Koshuta & Family

THOMAS WEEK

Apr. 29 Sat. 10:00 AM +Timothy Rogers by Joseph Stone

OINTMENT BEARING WOMEN

Apr. 30 Sun, 8:00 AM +George Lichvarcik by Elizabeth Basarab
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – April 30, 2017

Apr. 30 Sun. 8:00 AM T. Hughes (L), J. Lampl, P. O'Leary, C. Susco
10:30 AM D. Naccash (L), T. Clark, J. Naccash, M. Noyes

USHER SCHEDULE – April 30, 2017

Apr. 30 Sun. 8:00 AM T. Ryan (L), H. Katawczik, J. Kotula
10:30 AM K. Kepick (L), M. Bell, J. Kepick

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD Byzantine Catholic Church

The Sacraments – Our Life in Christ

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation - (Baptism, Chrismation, Holy Eucharist). We follow the command of the Lord to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19). Chrismation (Confirmation) and Holy Eucharist (First Holy Communion) is imparted at the same time immediately following baptism

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Infants – is scheduled at the Divine Liturgy on Saturdays or Sundays during the year except certain fast periods. Sponsors must be Catholics in good standing and supply a sponsor card attesting to that from their parish. While two Catholics in good standing is usual, one baptized non-Catholic can function as a Christian Witness with the Catholic sponsor. Both must be at least sixteen years of age. Details are available at the parish office.

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Adults – follows a period of catechuminate. This is a period of spiritual formation. Please see the priest or deacon.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Crowning in Marriage – According to the Pastoral Policy and Guidelines for Marriage Preparation for the Catholic Church in New Jersey, couples wishing to marry must inform the pastor one year before the date of the wedding and be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Couples will meet with the priest and deacon in four sessions – to begin the pre-nuptial investigation, to take FOCUS, a communications, values and religious inventory approved for use in the Catholic dioceses/eparchies, to complete the pre-nuptial investigation and for a session on the theology of the mystery (sacrament). They are also required to attend Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance – The Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance is regularly available each Saturday 11:30 AM – 12:00 Noon. In addition, confessions are heard during the Christmas Fast (Advent) and the Great Fast (Lent) on Sundays between the Divine Liturgies. Visiting confessors are also scheduled at special times during the Great Fast. Confessions are also heard on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Great and Holy Week to prepare for the observance of the Lord's Resurrection.

Anointing of the Sick – Parishioners who are seriously ill and those with life endangering medical conditions as well as those who are to undergo surgery should avail themselves of the sacrament of penance and anointing of the sick. If surgery is scheduled, please consider confession and anointing at the church before entering the hospital since there is more privacy for confession and less chance of interruption for confession and anointing. If you are unable to come to church, please call the rectory. Families of parishioners who have a medical emergency should contact the rectory office so one of the priests can go the hospital.

Holy Communion and Visitation of the Sick – Holy Communion is brought to our parishioners who are ill at the hospital or at home by the deacon on Sundays and at other times by arrangement. Please contact the deacon or the rectory office by Friday prior to the Sunday communion visitation.

Funeral Services – The Office of Christian Burial is offered in ways to accommodate the needs of the family. The Epiphany Ladies Guild as part of their charity offers a Mercy Meal for families at the Parish Center following the interment. Epiphany of our Lord cemetery is a portion of Fairfax Memorial Park. Parishioners who are interested in purchasing cemetery plots should see the deacon.

Byzantine Catholic Mission of Montgomery County - Divine Liturgy: Sunday 10:00 AM; Religious Education & Social Hour 11:15-12:15: 20501 Goshen Road, Gaithersburg, MD; (301) 482-0282.

Parish Administration

"The Church is not an organization with sacraments but a sacrament with organization."

Parish Clergy

Very Rev. John G. Basarab, Pastor
Deacon Elmer Pekarik, Deacon Peter Turko

Parish Office Staff

Jamie Bacigalupi, Administrative Assistant
Diane Dougherty, Financial Assistant

Parish Council of Administration

Emil Koval, Greg Puhak, Sally Green

Parish Office Hours: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday- Friday

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Sunday

School of Religion - School of Religion classes meet on Sundays between Liturgies (9:20 AM - 10:20 AM) throughout the school year (September - June). Classes are offered for children grades Preschool & Kindergarten - High School

Bulletin - Bulletin announcement should be submitted in writing by 12:00 Noon Wednesday afternoon for the upcoming Sunday. Announcements may be dropped off in the Parish Office, faxed to the office (703-573-1088) or email to epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net.

Registration - Individuals who wish to register in the Parish should stop by the Parish Office and complete a census form.

Epiphany of Our Lord Church, Annandale, VA

<http://www.eolbcc.org>

Epiphany of Our Lord does not conduct pastoral business on the website email.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Care of Catholic Church Property. The Catholic University of America School of Architecture together with the Archdiocese of Washington is holding a symposium on Friday, April 28, 2017, to assist parishes and dioceses with an array of contemporary issues spanning changes in neighborhood demographic patterns, on-going maintenance and upkeep of the physical plant, accommodations for senior citizens, and strategic planning for current and succeeding generations. The keynote address by Father Thomas Gaunt, SJ, executive director of the Center of Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) will cover Catholic identity, Retention, Parish Participation, Immigration and Mobility, Cultural and Ethnic diversity. In other presentations “The Greying of America” will also be highlighted. In the morning, three concurrent panels will be devoted to: the precinct for prayer; facility management; and demographic trends related to planning for emerging consolidated parishes. After lunch a case example of Saint Bartholomew’s in Bethesda covering fifteen years will be presented and at the conclusion of the symposium an agenda for future proceedings will be formulated. Welcoming registration and coffee refreshments will begin at 9:00 AM in Columbus School of Law building. Space is limited so those interested in representing Epiphany must register early. The parish will cover the registration fees for those parishioners attending.

Thomas Sunday COMING EVENTS

(see inside for details)

- Byzantine Spirituality
- Thomas Sunday Luncheon
- Bishop’s Appeal
- Baseball Game
- Building Update
- Spring Dance
- Lamp & Light Bible Study
- Care of Catholic Property
- Camp Charles

EMC BINGO

04/25/17 Team D
05/02/17 Team A
05/09/17 Team B
05/16/17 Team C

<http://EMCBINGO.com>

April 23, 2017

TITHING & GIVING

Parish Donations–April 16, 2017

Adults	\$4,807.96
Children	\$ 23.36
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Building Fund	\$1,230.00
School of Religion	\$1.00
Candles	\$469.00
Holy Days	\$469.00
BCY	\$1270.00
Boiler	\$10.00
ECL	\$12.00
St. Nicholas Fund	\$32.63
<u>Holy Water Bottles</u>	<u>\$23.80</u>
TOTAL	\$13,334.75

"With each contribution show a cheerful countenance and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy. " (Sirach 35:9)

LITURGY AND LIFE

Prayer Intentions. Please remember in prayer: Michael Mikulak, David Sayen, Mary McDonnell, Justine Ferrari, Julia Zdynak, Louis Shanks, Peter Wegman, Robert Hencken, Caroline Zurun, Mary Beth Vieira, Robert Esser, and Irene Markovich. Please pray for these friends and relatives of parishioners: Shirley Anne Markham, Jeffrey Mikulak, Francine O’Leary, Russell Plasha, Tim O’Leary, Joanne Gaudino, Patricia Delfine, Rev. Joseph Jugan, Steven Goula, Fr. Phillip Scott, Mary Jewette, Luke Kolar, Fr. Conan Timoney, Eileen Gray, Karen Baine, James Seman, Hank Kowalski, Jean Figel, Jim Sinclair and Susan Seman.

New Doors. Very generous benefactors of Epiphany church have purchased new doors and frames for the rectory residence and office. The

Prayers for our Parishioners. The particular law of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church directs: "The pastor is to celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish entrusted to him on Sundays and days of precept [holy days of obligation]" (canon 294). This liturgy intention for all parishioners is "For the intention of our Parishioners." The faithful who attend the Divine Liturgy for the parishioners participate, according to their state, in praying for that intention. We can continue this prayer for one another during the week by remembering several parishioners and families each week. Please remember this week: James Sayen, Sr. & family, Joseph and Ashley Sayen & family, Marshall and Catherine Sayen & family, Gerald Schalestock, Mark and Cathy Schott, Donald and Deborah Scipioni & family, and from the Mission, Anne Fejka.

Blessed Palms and Willows should be kept in your home, usually at the icon corner or crucifix, as a witness to the Lord's presence in your life. Last year's palms and willows are blessed sacramentals and should be destroyed by burning or burying them or bring them to the hall in the chapel basement and place them in the receptacle provided. *Do not throw them into the garbage.*

Lamp and Light. Bible Study with Deacon Peter Turko will resume meeting this Wednesday night, April 26th, at 7:00 PM in the Chapel basement.

Pentecostarion for Pascha. The Pentecostarion, which means "Fifty Days" referring to the fifty days from Pascha to Pentecost, begins Great Saturday evening. Another name for this collection of hymns

and services is "Flowering Triodion". The day of the Resurrection of our Lord, called the Great Day (Velik Den'), is observed as a day seven days long called Bright Week. The Sunday after Pascha is called the Antipascha, Greek for in place of the Pascha, since now the Great Day of Pascha is over and the regular weekly Pascha or Sundays resume. The Sunday is known more as Thomas Sunday from the gospel read of the Risen Lord meeting Saint Thomas on the Sunday after Easter.

Paschal Rituals. We express our joy in the resurrection by several rituals during the forty days of Pascha: (1) As a sign of the joy that is ours in the resurrection, we do not kneel from Easter Sunday until Pentecost for any of the liturgical services, for the time of penance is completed, and joy now reigns. We stand instead of kneeling and we stand whenever *Christ is risen* is sung. We sit at the epistle and homily. You may sit at the litanies, the first and second antiphons and the Troparia. You may sit at other times, except when *Christ is risen* is sung. (2) After Bright Week, commemorations are made for intentions, but with the proper response of "Many years..." or "Eternal Memory." (3) The Artos (Greek: Bread), blessed and placed on the tetrapod on Pascha is broken and distributed today. The risen Lord ate with his disciples during the forty days from Pascha to Ascension. Jesus said, "I am the living Bread that came down from heaven" (John 6:51). The Artos is placed in the middle of the churches "in full view of the faithful to serve as their same reminder of the invisible presence of the Lord with us" (Bulgakov, Kiev, 1900).

Thank You. We extend our thanks to all who helped in the preparations and services

for Great and Holy Week and the Great Day of Pascha: those who prepared the palms and willows for Palm Sunday, the ECF-SOR students, administrators and catechists in the Palm Sunday procession, those who cleaned after each Palm Sunday Liturgy, the cantors for their preparation and prayerful rendering of the hymns each day of Great Week and of Pascha, the head sacristan and sacristans for expertly fulfilling the multitude and variety of duties they are required to do so that all the services can take place, the dedicated office staff who labored continuously and proficiently, those who helped the sacristans prepare the church, the altar servers for their participation necessary to serve the Lord at the holy altar for lengthy services, those who set up the parish center for the blessing of Easter baskets, the BCY for their hosting the Easter Egg hunt for our young parishioners, the ushers who fulfilled their duties so precisely for the processions and reception of Holy Communion, and those committed parishioners who kept watch through the night and day at the Lord's tomb. May God bless all of you.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thomas Sunday Dinner. On the feast of the appearance of our Lord to the Apostle Thomas, Epiphany will celebrate with a parish meal that includes the foods from which we have abstained during the Great Fast. This will be held in the parish center after second liturgy on the Sunday today.

Epiphany Ladies Guild. Epiphany Ladies Guild will host their Spring Dance Saturday, May 6th from 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM. Included in the ticket price of \$20 for adults, \$10 for students are appetizers, beer,

wine, soft drinks, coffee, tea, a 20' dessert bar, and live music provided by The Fairfax Swing Band.

Baseball Game. On Sunday, June 11th, Epiphany Men's Club will sponsor a baseball trip to Washington, DC to see the Nationals play against the Texas Rangers. The bus will leave Epiphany parking lot at 2:15 PM. The game begins at 4:05 PM. All tickets have been reserved but a waiting list is being developed. The cost is \$36/ticket, which includes transportation, beverages, and snacks. To pay for your tickets or to be added to the waiting list, contact Ed Gubanich at 703-978-3824 or email ED1345@aol.com; Jack Kepick at 703-455-6510. Make checks payable to Epiphany Men's Club. If you have not confirmed your reservation, please do so immediately.

Men's Club and Nationals Tickets. Epiphany Men's Club meeting was held Thursday, April 6th. For the dinner before the meeting the men fortified themselves before the rigors of Great Week fasting by enjoying, following hors d'oeuvres, pork loin roast, mashed potatoes, asparagus, and a fruit salad to end the dinner and for dessert, Italian cookies. After this the men had an excellent meeting with good reports and insightful interventions. The first attendance drawing for a block of four Washington National tickets was won by Emil Koval. Men of the parish are invited to attend the next monthly Men's Club meeting Thursday, May 4th for another excellent dinner, good company, and the next chance to win Nationals tickets.